





There had been one nomination for the post of Honorary Treasurer, Mr Peter Ellis. The election of Peter Ellis was proposed by Professor Tim Thompson and seconded by Dr Barbara Daniel and Mr Ellis was duly elected unopposed.

There had been four nominations for the one post of Ordinary Council Member, Mrs Linda Brownlow, Mrs Marce Lee-Gorman, Dr Adam Long and Mr Mark Outhwaite. This had gone to ballot and the votes had now been tallied.

Mrs Linda Brownlow was duly elected.

Mr Nelson congratulated all those nominated and all those appointed and there was a round of applause.

Tom Nelson would now become the Immediate Past President and welcomed in Professor Martin Evison as the new President. He wished him congratulations and best wishes for the next two years. At this point Mr Nelson formally handed over the President medal. There was a round of applause.

The Council posts coming vacant in 2017 were noted, in particular the position of President Elect, and Mr Nelson asked all to give this some consideration. Professor Tim Thompson was also in his last year as Editor, having done an excellent job to date. If anyone was interested in learning more about the role Professor Thompson would be around all afternoon to discuss.

## 6 **Council Structure**

The only change to note was the reduction of Ordinary Council members from five to three, as approved in the 2015 amendments to the Bye Laws.

## 7 **Motions for Consideration**

### **7.1 Nomination of Dr Ann Priston for Honorary Fellow**

Mr Nelson was very pleased to bring this nomination to the floor. Dr Priston had given so much to Society. The motion was proposed by Mr Brian Rankin and seconded by Dr Barbara Daniels and Miss Anna-Marie O'Connor and carried. There was a round of applause. On a personal note Mr Nelson thanked Dr Priston for her support and was pleased to have her continue in such a role.

## 8 **Any Other Business**

Mr Brian Rankin noted that during the last year there had been a number of Select Committees on forensic science and the Society had given evidence at two of these committees. This was very good for the position of the Society and forensic science.

Dr Hunt added that the evidence had been given at the Response to the Forensic Science Strategy committee and the review into the College of Policing. Both had offered an excellent opportunity for the profile of the Society.

Mr Nelson thanked Mr Rankin for his comment and agreed this showed the important role of CSFS as the voice of forensic science.



Dr Sheila Willis noted that the Autumn conference this year was attended by a lot of practitioners, in part due to the intervention Mr Nelson in his role as President. Dr Willis appealed to incoming Council members to continue this. Mr Nelson agreed the strength of the Society lay in its diversity appealing to academia, practitioners, students etc.

Professor Evison thanked Dr Willis for her comments, agreeing with both Dr Willis and Mr Nelson. Professor Evison thanked Mr Nelson for the excellent work put into this event. He added that he planned to maintain the momentum and trajectory that Mr Nelson had so successfully established and asked for the support of Dr Willis and the members in so doing.

Dr Raul Sutton felt it was worth noting that during the last twelve months the Fingerprint Society had successfully incorporated with CSFS and the fingerprint work stream this Autumn event was a testament to this. Mr Nelson agreed. Dr Hunt added a personal note that Dr Sutton had been key to enabling the incorporation to happen and thanked him for all his work. There was a round of applause.

Mr Nelson ended the meeting noting that the Society was now in a strong position and needed to build on this to grow, bringing together the different organisations and functions within forensic science.

Mr Nelson thanked all for attending the AGM.

The meeting closed at 12.52pm.

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